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SUBJECT : USG VETO OF GUINEA-BISSAU ADMISSION TO UN

REF: LISBON 1152

1. USG VETO OF GUINEA-BISSAU ADMISSION TO UN WOULD UNDERMINE
AND NEGATE US PRINCIPLES AND DECLARATIONS REGARDING COMMIT-
MENT TO SUPPORT FREEDOM AND SELF-DETERMINATION WHICH WOULD BE
CONTRARY TO LONG-TERM US NATIONAL INTEREST. IT WOULD ALSO
ADVERSELY AFFECT US RELATIONS WITH ALL AFRICAN COUNTRIES
AND WITH MANY OF MORE THAN SEVENTY COUNTRIES THAT HAVE NOW
RECOGNIZED GUINEA-BISSAU. FURTHERMORE, VETO LIKELY ONLY BE
A DELAYING MOVEMENT, SINCE PRESSURES WILL INEVITABLY BUILD UP
FOR GUINEA-BISSAU ADMISSION. FULLY RECOGNIZE THAT USG VOTE
FOR ADMISSION OF GUINEA-BISSAU MIGHT NOT BE IN OUR NATIONAL
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INTEREST AT THIS TIME BUT HOPE THAT FOR POLITICAL AND MORAL

REASONS USG WILL BE ABLE TO ABSTAIN.

2. WHATEVER POSITION USG DECIDES TO ADOPT, URGE THAT IT NOT
BE PUBLICIZED IN ADVANCE OF TIME WHEN VOTE MUST BE TAKEN.
THIS WOULD BE GRATUITOUS SLAP AT AFRICAN, EUROPEAN AND
OTHER SUPPORTERS OF SELF-DETERMINATION AND COULD WELL PROVOKE
PREMATURE HOSTILE REACTION IN AFRICA. IT WOULD ALSO KEEP US
FROM EARLY COMMITMENT TO POSITION WHICH IT MIGHT WELL BE IN
OUR INTEREST TO CHANGE BASED ON EVOLVING SITUATION.
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